

## **ELECTRONIC MEMORANDUM**

TO: Human Resources Directors

FROM: Sam Wilkins

DATE: January 18, 2007

SUBJECT: WeSave Discount Card Program

As discussed at this month's HR Advisory meeting, the State of South Carolina is offering an added discount program to employees. This program is the WeSave discount card program. WeSave is a special program being offered to state employees that allows them to save money on many of their everyday purchases. The WeSave card can be used to receive discounts at local businesses. WeSave, Inc. is a provider of loyalty/benefit programs for public employees. State employees activate their WeSave cards on-line, by mail or by phone. Once it has been activated, the WeSave card can be presented to a participating merchant and the employee receives a discount instantly on goods or services purchased. Membership in the WeSave card program is free to state employees and there is no cost to be a WeSave merchant. WeSave is working hard to increase the number of vendors offering discounts to state employees. To find out who has been added to the list of participating merchants, simply check the WeSave website.

This email is also to notify you that the WeSave cards will be available for pick-up at 1401 Senate Street on Thursday, January 25<sup>th</sup> from 8:30 am until 5:00 pm and on Friday, January 26<sup>th</sup> from 8:30 am until 12:00 pm. Cards for agencies located completely outside of Columbia are being mailed directly to those agencies, who have already been contacted about the expected date of delivery. OHR is asking that all other agencies send a representative to pick up the cards in an effort to ensure distribution of the cards to state employees. If you are unable to pick up your cards on these dates, the cards will be sent out via Inter-agency Mail on Friday afternoon. Agencies will be given enough cards to distribute to all employees as well as additional cards for new hires and employee turnover. Agencies are asked to distribute the cards to employees on or after February 1, 2007. Attached to this email is an email introducing the new program and a list of "Frequently Asked Questions." Please provide this information to employees prior to distributing the WeSave cards.

The Budget & Control Board's Office of Human Resources is excited about this new card program and will be notifying agencies soon about card distribution. If there are any questions about the WeSave program, please visit [www.wesave.com](http://www.wesave.com) or call WeSave toll free at 1-866-987-2833. If you have any questions about WeSave, please telephone Pam Benjamin at (803) 737-0979 or your HR Consultant.